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The British Medical Association will hold its 103rd Annual Meeting in Melbourne, Australia, during the week beginning September 9th, 1935, under the Presidency of Sir Richard Stawell. The clinical and scientific work of the meeting is being arranged in fourteen Sections, which will meet on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, September 11th, 12th, and 13th. The names of the Sections and of their officers are given below:

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GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL

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DISCIPLINARY INQUIRIES

Cases Adjourned from Previous Sessions

In coming to its short programme of disciplinary business the Council dealt first with a number of cases in which, at previous sessions, the facts alleged against the practitioner had been found proved, but judgement had been postponed.

The first of these was that of FREDERICK RICHARD LANFEAR MILLER, registered as of Pembridge Villas, Notting Hill Gate, London, against whom it was found in November last that he had been convicted of certain offences concerning drugs, and had been sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment in the second division (*Supplement*, December 9th, 1933, p. 286). Dr. Miller now appeared before the Council, accompanied by Mr. Carthew, counsel, instructed by Le Brasseur and Oakley, on behalf of the London and Counties Medical Protection Society. Various testimonials from medical practitioners and others were read in which Dr. Miller was referred to in very high terms. It was stated that the drugs had been obtained for his own personal use, and that the sentence passed on him was given, not as a punishment, but as a deterrent. In this respect it had been completely successful, and Dr. Miller now appeared before the Council having entirely overcome his infirmity and possessing the full confidence of his colleagues. The President announced that the Council did not see fit to direct the registrar to erase the name.

The next case was that of JAMES SCOTT WEBSTER, registered as of Bank Road, Bootle, against whom it had been found that he had been convicted on two occasions for drug offences

(*Supplement*, December 9th, 1933, p. 288). Dr. Webster sent a telegram stating that he was unable to attend owing to illness, and the Council adjourned the further consideration of the case until the next May session.

The case was next taken of STEVEN TAIT POTTINGER, registered as of Willenhall, Staffordshire, against whom certain charges with regard to canvassing had been proved (*Supplement*, December 16th, 1933, p. 304). Dr. Pottinger now attended, with Mr. Carthew, counsel, who read a large number of letters from practitioners in the locality all testifying to the integrity of Dr. Pottinger's conduct in the interval and his willingness to co-operate in all professional matters. One of the letters was from Dr. A. F. M. Fuoss, one of the practitioners whose patients Dr. Pottinger was alleged to have canvassed, and who now spoke of him in the highest terms. The Council discharged the case.

The next case was that of DONALD MCGREGOR STEWART, registered as of Nantymoel, Glamorgan, against whom it had been found that he had been convicted of driving a motor cycle whilst under the influence of drink (*Supplement*, December 10th, 1932, p. 292). Dr. Stewart now appeared before the Council, and letters were read from three practitioners in the locality testifying to the irreproachability of his conduct in the interval. Here again the Council did not see fit to erase the name.

In the next case, that of VICTOR CECIL TUGHAN, registered as of Greenhill, Weymouth, against whom two convictions, one for driving a motor vehicle whilst under the influence of drink, and the other for being under the influence of drink to such an extent as to be incapable of controlling a motor car, had been proved (*Supplement*, June 9th, 1934, p. 285), the President said, after certain letters had been put in, that the Council had decided further to adjourn consideration of the case until the next May session. In the Council's view Dr. Tughan had not fully appreciated the importance of testimony to his conduct from people who were fully qualified to give it. He had told the Council that he had been acting during the last six months in various locumtenencies, but he had not brought forward letters from any practitioners with whom he had been in close association. Perhaps he would bear that in mind when he appeared before the Council in six months' time.

Misdemeanours

The Council considered the case of GEORGE FRANCIS MAHER, registered as of Gooldeross, Tipperary, who was summoned to appear on the charge that he had been convicted at the Sheriff Court, Edinburgh, on June 30th, 1933, of driving a motor car while under the influence of drink, and on May 29th, 1934, of a similar offence at the same court. The Council's solicitor related the circumstances of the two convictions. Dr. Maher said that the circumstance which led to the first conviction was a very trivial accident in which no one was injured. The second conviction was for an offence which occurred during an illness; he had not partaken of food for some days, and a little drink upset him. He apologized for a temporary lapse, which would not recur. The Council found the convictions proved, but in order to give the respondent an opportunity of reconsidering his conduct in this respect, postponed judgement until the November session, 1935, before which date Dr. Maher would be required to send to the Council the names of those prepared to testify on his behalf.

The Council next heard the case of JOHN JOSEPH MACABE, registered as of Mawson Street, Ardwick, Manchester, who appeared on the charge that he had been convicted on August 30th at Bolton, on August 31st at Manchester, on October 3rd at Manchester, and on October 4th at Dewsbury of being drunk, and in three of the cases also of disorderly behaviour. The Council's solicitor drew attention to the closeness in dates of the four convictions, and also said that Dr. Macabe had been twice previously before the Council for similar offences. In 1927 he was placed on probation for a year, after which the case was discharged. In 1929 he came again before the Council, when his name was erased from the *Register*, to which, however, it was restored in 1932. Dr. Macabe made a long statement to the Council in extenuation. The Council found Dr. Macabe guilty of the misdemeanours alleged against him in the notice of inquiry, and directed the registrar to erase his name from the *Register*.

Removal of a Canadian Qualification

The Council had before it a report from its Executive Committee on the case of ERNEST MELVILLE CAREFOOT, registered as of Regina, Saskatchewan, who had a diploma of membership of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the Province of Saskatchewan granted to him in 1915. The registrar of that college now reported that Dr. Carefoot's name had been erased from the register kept by the college council in consequence of his having been found guilty of unbecoming, improper, and unprofessional conduct. It was ascertained by subsequent correspondence that the qualification had been duly and legally withdrawn under the appropriate Act, and that it was not withdrawn on the ground of the adoption of any theory of medicine or surgery. The Executive Committee had resolved to direct the registrar to remove from the Colonial List the qualification M.C.P. and S. Sask., 1915, entered after the name of Dr. Carefoot. After consideration *in camera* the Council directed the registrar to erase the name of Ernest Melville Carefoot from the *Register*.

Charge of Adultery with a Patient

The Council considered the case of WILLIAM LOCK, registered as of Argyle Close, Ealing, who was summoned to appear on the charge that he had abused his position as a medical practitioner by committing adultery with a woman patient on frequent occasions since 1929. The case was down for hearing in May last, when Dr. Lock was unable to be present owing to ill-health, and an adjournment was granted until the November session. The complainant was Mrs. Aida Winifred Rebecca Lock. After the case had been called, and the respondent had appeared before the Council, Sir Robert Bolam moved, and it was agreed, that the hearing take place *in camera*.

At the conclusion of a hearing which occupied two and a half hours on the first day and one hour on the second, the President announced that the Council had found that the facts alleged against Dr. Lock in the notice of inquiry had not been proved to its satisfaction, and the complaint was accordingly dismissed.

Misconduct with a Woman Patient

The Council next considered the case of IAN DUGUID, registered as of Rochester, who was summoned on the charge that he had abused his position by committing adultery during June, 1934, and thereafter, with Mary Skinner, a married woman, whom, and whose husband and children, he had attended professionally. The complainant was Mr. Stanley Charles Skinner, builder and contractor, of Fawkham, Kent, who was represented by Mr. Van Oss, counsel, instructed by Wood, Maclennan and Williams, solicitors. Dr. Duguid did not attend, nor was he represented.

Mr. Van Oss said that Mr. Skinner's family were attended by a Dr. Palmer until, at the end of 1932, Dr. Duguid and his sister took over the practice, when Dr. Duguid became the family doctor. Mrs. Skinner was 50 years of age. In June last Dr. Duguid expressed his intention of going away with Mrs. Skinner, and he and the lady left the neighbourhood at the same time and had not returned. They had been found living together as man and wife under the name of Stewart at Richmond, and later it was shown that they had moved to West Molesey. Mr. Skinner produced accounts and receipts proving the professional relationship. The evidence of his son, aged 23, was taken in writing, as he was in a nursing home. He testified that Dr. Duguid had said to him, "What you suspect between your mother and me is correct." Asked what he was going to do about it, he shrugged his shoulders and said, "Go away together." Evidence was given as to Dr. Duguid and Mrs. Skinner having lived together at Richmond.

The Council judged Dr. Ian Duguid to have been guilty of infamous conduct in a professional respect, and directed the registrar to erase his name.

Alleged Wrongful Certification

The Council devoted a part of two days to the consideration of the case of CHARLES JOSEPH PEMBERTON PAGLAR, registered (Colonial List) as of Singapore, who was summoned on the charge that in January, 1933, he gave one John Interlandi,

as the result of a blood test, a certificate of Dr. N. K. Sen, assistant to the professor of bacteriology in the College of Medicine, Singapore, which certificate to his knowledge did not relate to any test of the blood of the said Interlandi ; that at about the same time he wilfully and knowingly falsely informed John Interlandi that he was suffering from syphilis ; and that in March, 1933, he gave him a certificate that he had a positive Wassermann, which certificate to his knowledge was not based on any test of the blood. The Medical Council of the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States had found the facts on which the above charges were based proved to their satisfaction, and had directed their registrar to erase his name from the Medical Register kept by the council for the colony. Dr. Paglar had appealed against this decision to the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements, and his appeal had been dismissed with costs. The case was reported to the Council by the Medical Council of the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States.

Dr. Paglar attended in answer to his notice, accompanied by Mr. T. Carthew, counsel, instructed by Messrs. Peacock and Goddard, solicitors.

Mr. Harper, the Council's solicitor, said that this case was quite unusual ; he did not remember one like it before. The practice in the Straits Settlements differed from that in this country in two respects: first, a medical man whose name was erased could not practise in the colony at all ; secondly, he had the right of appeal to the supreme court. No oral evidence was available to sustain the complaint before the General Medical Council, but only statutory declarations and depositions. It appeared that Dr. Paglar was consulted by Interlandi ; he made certain examinations, and told him he ought to have a blood test. On a second visit, according to Interlandi's story, Dr. Paglar took a sample of his blood, and promised to let him know the result in a few days. Afterwards he told him that he had syphilis, which Interlandi said was impossible, but Dr. Paglar persisted in his diagnosis, said that infection might develop after ten years' dormancy, and urged him to have injections and to go to him for them and no one else. He also handed him the certificate or report which formed the basis of the complaint. It was common ground that this had been obtained improperly from the records of the clinic ; the question at issue was, Who was the receiver and made the wrongful use of it? Interlandi had further stated that he received a bill for 33 dollars from Dr. Paglar, but said that he would not pay until he had consulted another doctor, which he did, and the blood test was negative. Having thus one positive report and one negative, he went to a third doctor, Dr. J. S. Sloper, and from him also got a report that no sign of syphilis was to be found. In the meantime, he saw Dr. Paglar again, who gave him a certificate to the effect that he had been under his treatment for pain in the occipital region and occasional pains in the shoulders, " possibly specific." His 33-dollar bill he settled for 15 dollars. Interlandi, intending to go to Europe, was given by Dr. Paglar a letter stating that he had a positive Wassermann. A deposition by John Interlandi as to these allegations was read, also a deposition by Dr. Sloper that he had examined Interlandi and found no indication of syphilis.

Mr. Carthew more than once objected to evidence which had been given before another body being taken as evidence before the present tribunal with no opportunity for cross-examination. Much of what had been written, he said, was mere hearsay. The Legal Assessor, however, said that the Council could take either an oral or a written statement, and was within its privileges in accepting the evidence tendered.

In his speech for the defence Mr. Carthew said that Dr. Paglar had lived in Singapore for twenty-two years and had been in practice there for seventeen. He had been house-surgeon at the Singapore Hospital. His earnings until he was erased from the Straits Settlements *Register* averaged £200 sterling a month, so that there was no financial motive, and, indeed, any motive was hard to find. The bill itself was falsely said by Interlandi to have been for 33 dollars ; it was for 18 dollars, and on request he reduced it to 15. The question turned on the report stolen from the hospital records. The report gave the result of a Kahn test—not a Wassermann—signed by Dr. Sen. It had no relation to Interlandi, and bore no name or number. It was not denied that in some form or other it came into the possession of Dr. Paglar. It was not suggested that Interlandi stole it—he would have no object in so doing—but another hypothesis presented itself. Dr. Paglar, in fact, made no blood test of Interlandi. On being asked how much a blood test would cost he replied " 22 dollars," whereupon Interlandi said that that was too much and that he could get it done at the public clinic for next to nothing ; he said that he knew certain people there. Mr. Carthew suggested that what occurred was that Interlandi saw a dresser or other friend at the hospital, had his blood taken, paid 5 dollars, and was afterwards given this form, torn from the hospital records, which he took to Dr. Paglar. Once he had got himself into this difficulty, of course, Interlandi had to stick to his story about the form for his own credit and that of his friend at the hospital. Dr. Paglar, against whom there had been no previous complaint, had been visiting Europe just before these events, undertaking at his own expense a tour for post-graduate study. He was keen on his profession and in a substantial and remunerative practice, and he was not likely to imperil his future for a matter of £2 sterling. Interlandi was an unreliable witness and there were discrepancies in his evidence. Mr. Carthew only wished he had him in the box. He begged the Council to dismiss any prejudice against Dr. Paglar because the decision of the Singapore council had been against him, or because his appeal, which had to be chiefly on points of law, was dismissed by the supreme court. The case came *de novo* to the General Medical Council for judgement.

Dr. Paglar, in evidence, said that Interlandi came to consult him for pains in the head and shoulders. He said that he was presently going to Europe and asked for a recommendation to doctors there. He examined him, took his blood pressure, and prescribed iodide of potassium. He did not do a blood test, for which his fee was 25 dollars, Interlandi saying he could get it done more cheaply, having a friend at the hospital. Later he showed him a certificate which stated that he had a positive Kahn. He asked him who had done the test, but he would not give the name. Later Interlandi requested a certificate, and on the basis of this form which had been brought to him he gave it. It did not enter his head that the certificate referred to another person. He had done a great deal of V.D. work—he was the first to start " 606 " injections in Singapore. His usual fee for a six weeks' course of injections was 10 dollars. Sir Robert Bolam pointed out that the certificate obtained from the clinic mentioned neither the Wassermann nor the Kahn test ; it merely said " reaction positive," which might have meant diphtheria or anything. Dr. Paglar replied that he had linked it up with what the patient had told him. Asked why he did not treat him for syphilis, Dr. Paglar said that Interlandi refused treatment, and said that he was going to Europe. Declarations in support of Dr. Paglar's statement were read from his assistant and his collector.

After a brief deliberation *in camera* the president announced that the facts alleged against Dr. Paglar in the notice of inquiry had not been proved to the Council's satisfaction, and the case was accordingly dismissed.

Alleged Trading by a Practitioner

The Council next considered the case of Leo Frederick Clarke, registered as of Highgate Road, N.W., who was summoned on the charge that he had attempted to obtain from Mr. Richard Henry Ormsby, a patient of his, payment of a sum of two guineas for a pair of spectacles with which he supplied him, having purchased the same at 7s. 10d. from a company in which he had represented to Mr. Ormsby that he had an interest ; also that he had attempted to obtain from Mr. Ormsby the sum of half a guinea for repairs to another pair of spectacles executed on his behalf by the same company at a cost to him of 2s. 10d. Mr. R. H. Ormsby was the complainant, and was represented by Mr. J. R. Hodder, solicitor. Dr. Clarke was represented by Mr. Oswald Hempson, solicitor.

Mr. Hodder said that Mr. Ormsby consulted Mr. Clarke professionally in July, 1933. During one of his visits Dr. Clarke noticed that Mr. Ormsby's spectacles were broken, and mentioned that he was interested in an optical company (the Anglo-American Optical Company), and could get them repaired for him, and would see that he did not get " stung." Shortly afterwards Mr. Ormsby said that he would like to

have a second emergency pair of glasses, and this commission was carried out by Dr. Clarke in the same way. Eventually, when he received the doctor's account for professional services he thought it exorbitant, and requested a detailed account, and in such account these items appeared. Eventually Dr. Clarke sued his patient in the county court, and it was then admitted that the cost to Dr. Clarke of the glasses had been respectively 2s. 10d. and 7s. 10d., for which he had charged his patient 10s. 6d. and two guineas. The claim in respect to these two items, over and above the cost price, was then withdrawn.

Mr. Ormsby, in evidence, said that the doctor's bill came to £36 19s. 6d. He offered a settlement at £11 16s., which was refused. On the case going to the county court Dr. Clarke obtained judgement for £23 12s. 10d. Mr. Hempson, in cross-examination of this witness, pointed out that no mention of the glasses was made by Mr. Ormsby in his original letter resisting the total charges after the detailed account had been sent in. In an affidavit in connexion with the county court proceedings Mr. Ormsby had stated that not only were the charges excessive, but the professional service had been rendered in an unsuitable and unskilful manner. This raised an issue of negligence, which was not raised in Mr. Ormsby's original letter, and was subsequently withdrawn by him. But it looked as if the complainant had been trying by any means to avoid payment of the bill. Mr. Ormsby had also questioned the number of visits, while admitting that he kept the tally in his head, and had said that the doctor visited him only twenty-two times, but the county court judge accepted Dr. Clarke's figure of forty visits. Mr Ormsby declared that Dr. Clarke had told him that he was interested in the optical company, and he had judged from that that he was a shareholder. He made no suggestion against the doctor beyond the fact that in this small matter he had been trying to make a profit of 500 per cent.

Dr. Clarke, in evidence, said that his treatment of Mr. Ormsby had extended over thirteen months; during that time a consultant also saw him. On one of his visits Mr. Ormsby had referred to an optical card he had seen in the surgery, and asked him if he would like to get his glasses repaired for him. Dr. Clarke strongly denied that he had any interest in the optical company, or that he used any such phrase as that he would see that Mr. Ormsby was not "stung." Mr. Ormsby then decided to have an emergency pair of spectacles, whereupon Dr. Clarke tested the lenses, measured the frames, sent the prescription to the company, and checked and delivered the spectacles. The two guineas included not only the cost, but what might be described as the professional service. He admitted that when the proceedings in the county court were taking place his solicitor, on his instruction, reduced the claim for the glasses to the cost price, and said nothing about any professional service in connexion therewith. This instruction was given actually during the hearing, and its implications had not occurred to him. No question had been raised on the specific point of the glasses until after the hearing had started. In reply to Dr. Bone, he said that if he were undertaking a service for a patient which included the provision of glasses his testing fee would not be a fixed one but would vary somewhat with the means of the patient as indicated by the costliness or otherwise of the optical frame desired. His services in this case consisted of obtaining the old glasses, testing the lenses, and taking a measurement of the frames in order to procure a new pair which he delivered to the patient.

Mr. Hempson said that he was prepared to call a representative of the Anglo-American Optical Company if it was desired to show that Dr. Clarke had no interest in that concern. Dr. Clarke might perhaps have performed this service for his patient for nothing, but in fact he had been put to considerable trouble in connexion with it. The optical company was a wholesale firm, and provided glasses to retailers and to doctors at a special rate. Would Dr. Clarke have been justified in passing on the exact wholesale cost to his patient when that cost would be considerably below that for which the appliances could be obtained from a retail house? He was afraid that his client did not stand alone in charging for appliances in this manner. A wholesale price or discount was allowed in many instances, of which members of the profession took advantage. Possibly the Council might at some time make a pronouncement deprecating such a practice, but in the absence of any previous warning notice it ought not to be hung upon a case of an individual practitioner such as this.

Mr. Hodder said that the complainant considered it sufficient to have brought the facts before the Council; he did not wish to press the issue of infamous conduct in a professional respect.

The deliberation *in camera* occupied an hour and a quarter. The President then announced that certain of the facts alleged in the notice of inquiry had been proved to the Council's satisfaction, but, it now having been accepted by the complainant that Dr. Clarke was not interested in the optical company which he had recommended, and the complainant having obtained an abatement of the charges in the appropriate civil court, the Council had decided to take no further action in the matter.

Restorations

The Council considered *in camera* applications for restoration to the *Medical Register*, and the President afterwards announced that the following names had been restored: George Harry Bishop, Horatio Walter James Steen, and Henry Blanchard Walters.

Dental Business

On reports by the Dental Board, and after due consideration of the facts in each case, the following names, all of "Dentists, 1921," were ordered to be erased from the *Dentists Register*:

John Herdman Faulding, registered as of Earlsbrook Road, Redhill, following on a conviction at Reigate petty sessions for embezzlement; Thomas Ross Graham, registered as of West Street, Faversham, for canvassing to obtain patients; and William Gray, registered as of St. James Road, Glasgow, Walker Hill, as of Erith, Kent, William McCulloch Lawson, as of Whitley Bay, Northumberland, Samuel Morrison, as of Larkhall, Lanarkshire, and Joseph Reay, as of Hensingham, Whitehaven, against all of whom it had been found that on a dental letter or letters issued by an approved society they had given certificates which were untrue or improper, and had obtained or attempted to obtain wrongfully the payment of the society's contribution. Mr. Faulding and Mr. Graham only appeared before the Council; other respondents sent letters. In all the cases except the first—a felony—the Council judged the respondent to have been guilty of conduct infamous or disgraceful in a professional respect.

Dental Education

Mr. Sheridan, who was elected by the Council a member of the Dental Executive Committee in succession to Mr. Dolamore, presented the report of the Dental Education and Examination Committee, which was almost entirely concerned with recommendations on individual foreign and colonial applications for the recognition of diplomas. The University of Queensland also applied for the recognition by the Council of its diploma in dental science, but the recommendation of the committee, which was adopted by the Council, was that in the absence of evidence of sufficient information regarding instruction in general pathology, general surgery, and medicine, the application for recognition be not granted. In the opinion of the committee the courses of instruction in these subjects did not comply with the requirements.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Addendum to the British Pharmacopoeia

Sir Henry Dale, in presenting the report of the Pharmacopoeia Committee, said that the committee had received a report from the Pharmacopoeia Commission on the preparation of the proposed addendum to the *British Pharmacopoeia*. A number of suggestions for alteration in detail of the tests and standards had been reviewed, and certain of them provisionally approved. The revision of the monographs on crude drugs, chemicals, and pharmaceutical preparations, so far as changes to be made in the addendum were concerned, was now almost complete. The publication of the eleventh *U.S. Pharmacopoeia* in 1935 would give an opportunity for comparing its tests and standards with those of the *British Pharmacopoeia*, 1932, and of including in the addendum any changes which might be considered desirable. The Commission had reviewed the newer remedies, and selected those suitable for inclusion in the addendum, and was now proceeding with the preparation of monographs on the newer

biological products and preparations of vitamins which had been approved for inclusion. The decisions as to international standards and units made at international conferences under the auspices of the Permanent Commission on Biological Standardization of the League of Nations had been reported, and it was possible now to draft monographs in agreement with international standards.

Sir Henry Dale added that the Pharmacopoeia Committee had carefully considered the question of the inclusion of the names of protected substances in the *Pharmacopoeia*. It concluded that the principle of excluding such names should be maintained, and that any exceptions to the principle should be restricted to substances for the manfacture of which multiple licences had been granted, and substances the patents for which expired shortly after the publication of an issue of the *British Pharmacopoeia* or an addendum thereto. It would be inexpedient for the Council itself to undertake the publication of any selected list of substances protected by patent or trade mark.

Rules for Diplomas in Public Health

Sir Henry Brackenbury, in the absence of the chairman of the Public Health Committee, presented a brief report the only matter in which concerned the advisability of adding a note to the resolutions and rules for diplomas or degrees in sanitary science, public health, or State medicine which came into force on October 1st, 1931. It was felt that the time was not ripe for making alterations in rules which had so recently been formulated, but so many developments had taken place during the last year or eighteen months, and so many requests had been received from various bodies asking whether they were tied as to the number of hours or choice of subjects, that it appeared desirable to state in a note that the resolutions and rules of the Council, as to both curriculum and examinations, represented only the minimum requirements. Accordingly it was proposed (and agreed to by the Council) that the following note should be added:

Note.—The observance of these rules does not prevent any licensing body granting the degree or diploma, or any institution approved by such body, from requiring a larger number of hours than those specified to be spent in the study of prescribed subjects, or requiring instruction to have been given in subjects additional to those prescribed. Indeed, the use in Rules 8 and 9 of the word "include" implies that knowledge of other subjects may possibly be tested as part of the examination. The duties of local government authorities and their medical officers are constantly being extended by the legislature, and modern scientific research is making available in several new directions knowledge of the greatest importance to medical officers of health and to other medical officers engaged in public health work. These factors emphasize the value to medical officers of a knowledge of such subjects as hospital provision, equipment, and administration; of mental disorder and deficiency; and of genetics—all in their relationship to public health; and these subjects may well become part of the curriculum of public health instruction.

Other Committee Reports

The report of the Examination Committee, presented by Dr. Stopford, recorded the fact of visitations of the examinations in biology conducted by the University of Bristol and the University of Sheffield, and of those in anatomy and physiology of the English Conjoint Board and the University of Durham.

Dr. Tidy, for the committee appointed to consider the revision of the curriculum, said that the committee had held three meetings, and, in addition to considering numerous publications bearing upon the medical curriculum at home and abroad, was commencing a study of the replies received from the licensing bodies as to any changes they had recently introduced into their requirements in regard to the curriculum or desired to see introduced into the resolutions of the Council with regard to professional education. The committee was pursuing its work actively, but was unable to submit any full report at present.

In presenting the report of the Finance Committee, Mr. Eason mentioned that the arms of the president had been inserted in the decorated window in the Council chamber, and opportunity had been taken to complete and repair the panel in the window commemorating Sir Donald MacAlister.

The Council considered in private a report from its Executive Committee on broadcasting, and with this the session concluded.

British Medical Association

CURRENT NOTES

B.M.A. Charities Trust Fund

The following is a list of donations and subscriptions to the Charities Trust Fund of the British Medical Association from January 1st to September 29th, 1934, totalling £3,126 2s. 11d., forwarded for distribution at the discretion of the Trustees of the Fund (the members of the Council of the Association for the time being in office).

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THE ASSOCIATION'S HANDBOOKS

The Association's *Annual Handbook, 1934–5*, is now available, gratis and post free, for members on application (while the limited edition lasts). It contains the decisions of the Representative Body on questions of policy (except the Hospital Policy, which is published as a separate pamphlet); a description of the constitution and working of the Association, local and central; lists of the members of the Council, central committees, officers, and officials of the Association, local and central; Reference and Circulating Libraries; scholarships, grants, and prizes; "B.M.A. Lectures"; Medical Insurance Agency; medical benevolence; golf competitions; and other information as to the Association's activities. For non-members the *Handbook* is on sale (3s. 6d. net, post free, 3s. 9d.).

The *Handbook for Recently Qualified Medical Practitioners* (third edition, 1931) contains authoritative information, not available in any other single publication, as to many matters affecting practitioners of all ages. Its contents include information about the main careers open to members of the profession; national health insurance; practical aspects of medical work; registration and rights of practitioners; post-graduate study; special diplomas; specialization; fellowships, scholarships, studentships, prizes, and research grants; Dangerous Drugs Regulations; individual medical defence; and general medical insurance of all kinds. Members of the Association resident in the British Isles can obtain the book on loan from the Circulating Library, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, W.C.1, on application to the Librarian. The book is also on sale (3s. 6d. net, post free 3s. 10d.). In view of the demand a new edition is in preparation, and will probably be published in July, 1935.

Some Other Recent B.M.A. Publications

In addition to its other periodical publications, including the *British Medical Journal* (weekly), *Archives of Disease in Childhood* (six times yearly), and *Journal of Neurology and Psychopathology* (quarterly), the Association has recently published a "History of the British Medical Association," by Mr. E. Muirhead Little; "The British Medical Association: its Constitution and Government: An Historical Survey"; "The British Medical Association's Proposals for a General Medical Service for the Nation"; "The Essentials of a National Medical Service," by Sir Henry Brackenbury; "The Hospital Policy of the Association"; "The Problem of the Out-Patient"; "Model Hospital Letter"; "Report of Mental Deficiency Committee"; "Report of Committee on Tests for Drunkenness"; "Report on Rheumatic Heart Disease in Children"; "Report of Committee on Causation and Treatment of Arthritis and Allied Conditions"; "Memorandum Outlining a National Maternity Scheme for England and Wales"; "Report on Relation of the General Practitioner to the Treatment of Mental Disease"; "Report of Psycho-analysis Committee"; "The National Eye Service"; "Report of Committee on Nutrition"; and "Report of Committee on Medical Education."

THE INSURANCE MEDICAL SERVICE WEEK BY WEEK

Economical Prescribing

At the beginning of 1934 the International Labour Office, in order to compare the experience of several countries in the administration of benefits in kind under sickness insurance schemes, consulted the members of its Social Insurance Correspondence Committee. In view of the favourable results of this first consultation, it was decided to call together a meeting of experts particularly qualified to give an opinion on the questions involved. This meeting of experts, which was held in July, under the chairmanship of Dr. Leo Winter of Czechoslovakia, adopted conclusions of considerable importance, which were submitted to the governing body in September, 1934. Representatives from a large number of countries attended, the British representatives being Mr. de Montmorency of the Ministry of Health and Dr. G. C. Anderson, the Medical Secretary of the British Medical Association. In the report which is now available it is set out that sickness insurance can only afford its beneficiaries those medical and pharmaceutical benefits which are necessary; but, in so far as these benefits are necessary, they must be appropriate to that case and adequate both in quality and in quantity. It is important to secure a maximum of efficacy at a minimum of cost. The long experience which now informs the administration of the medical and pharmaceutical benefits of sickness insurance shows that the ideals of efficacy and economy are by no means inconsistent. Without trammelling the practitioner's freedom of treatment and prescription, or overlooking the legitimate claims of the patient, the strictest economy, compatible with efficacy, can and should be observed, in the interest of the insured community as a whole.

The following paragraph in the report has a very familiar ring about it to those who have had under their observation communications issued from the Ministry of Health for the guidance of insurance practitioners from time to time:

> In economical prescribing it is sought to combine therapeutic efficacy with the strictest economy, by the use of medicines which, in the particular case, are likely to achieve the most complete and most rapid restoration of health and capacity for work at a minimum cost.

Notwithstanding the air of familiarity which some of the principles laid down in the remainder of the report may wear, and perhaps, also, bearing in mind the adage as to the contempt which familiarity sometimes brings, it seems worth while to set out what is common ground among these international experts with regard to the principles and rules for economical prescribing:

1. *Prescriptions Not to be Issued Unless Necessary.*—No prescription of medicine should be issued unless it is necessary. Such a prescription can often be effectively replaced by hygienic, physical, or dietetical measures, which the patient can apply himself, in accordance with the practitioner's directions.

2. *All Necessary Medicines to be Prescribed.*—Any medicine of recognized therapeutical value, irrespective of price, should be available for prescribing in so far as, in the particular case, it is necessary for the restoration of health and capacity for work. In countries where a limitative list of drugs is drawn up for the purpose of sickness insurance, this list should be revised from time to time in order to take account of advances in pharmacology. Luxury and toilet preparations and secret remedies should not be prescribed.

3. *The Writing of Prescriptions.*—Medicines which are necessary in the particular case should be prescribed with a view to securing a maximum of efficacy and economy. The practitioner may well use commonly accepted standard formulae if they are suitable in the particular case. (*a*) Efficacy should be sought by the radical treatment of the illness: medicines for symptomatic treatment should only be prescribed in case of necessity; by judiciously selecting and proportioning the ingredients; and by making the prescription as simple as possible, and avoiding the admixture of substances where it does not reinforce the therapeutic effect. (*b*) Economy should be sought by attention to the form in which the medicine is to be dispensed; by attention to the quantity in which the medicine is ordered, regard being had to the probable development and duration of the illness, to the quantity already consumed, and to the period over which the medicine retains its properties; by strictly limiting the use of substances which are merely colouring or flavouring agents; and by attention to the cost of compounding and dispensing the prescription. (*c*) Where a choice of medicines of equal efficacy exists, preference should be given to the less expensive medicine. The practitioner should furnish the patient or his household with proper instructions for the use of the medicine.

4. *Preparations of Particular Make and those Sold Under Trade Marks.*—(*a*) Preparations of particular make should only be ordered if no substitutes of equal therapeutical value exist or if they cost no more than substitutes dispensed from the practitioner's prescription. (*b*) Preparations sold under trade mark should, where possible, be prescribed under their scientific designation.

5. *Repetition of Prescriptions.*—Before ordering a further supply of medicine the practitioner should satisfy himself that a further prescription is necessary, and that the consumption of the previous supply has proceeded at the rate indicated by him.

6. *Decoctions and Infusions.*—In accordance with the practitioner's directions, certain decoctions, teas, and infusions in current use may be prepared by the patient himself or his household.

7. *Wet Packs, Gargles, and Dressings.*—Medicaments for the purposes of wet packs, of gargles, and of dressings should, in case of repeated applications, be prescribed in the form of solids or concentrated solutions.

DENTAL BENEFIT INQUIRIES

Following on representations made to it by the Dental Benefit Council, the Department of Health for Scotland recently held inquiries to investigate the suitability for service in connexion with dental benefit under the National Health Insurance Acts of the following dentists: William Gray, St. James Road, Glasgow; William McCulloch Lawson, formerly of Dundee, now of Whitley Bay, Northumberland. As a result of the inquiries, the Department has declared that these dentists are to be regarded until further notice as unsuitable for such service.

Correspondence

THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS AND THE CHIROPODISTS

SIR,—It is a pity that Dr. Redmond Roche's important letter, in your issue of December 1st (p. 276), did not have a more prominent place than in the *Supplement*, which many members do not read, involving, as the letter did, questions of principle and practice of the greatest moment to the medical profession, both consultants and general practitioners.

That chiropodists may do useful work in connexion with corns and bunions no one doubts, but to give them a Royal Charter is quite another matter. The London Foot Hospital collects money for its institution, and the people who subscribe are mostly under the impression that it is staffed by qualified medical men, in the same way as the London Skin Hospital, London Lock Hospital, National Heart Hospital, etc.

The Representative Body of the British Medical Association, the deciding voice in the policy of the Association, turned down the proposition of granting this Royal Charter at Bournemouth this year by 102 votes to 65, and it is to be hoped that this important decision of the B.M.A. will be widely known and remembered.

If the College of Surgeons had had general practitioners as members of their council a better understanding of the position and some common sense would have been brought to bear on the matter, and this unfortunate state of affairs would not have arisen.—I am, etc.,

London, W.8, Dec. 3rd. HOWARD M. STRATFORD.

HOSPITAL OR HOME?

SIR,—In the last volume he wrote Herbert Spencer uttered the aphorism "Demonstration fails to alter established belief."

Dr. Beauchamp and his committee seem to have a fixed idea that I said about hospitals and homes things I did not say. I have explained matters to him, but he and his committee, who were not at the meeting, seem to know better what I said than Dr. Flemming and I who were there, which, as old Euclid used to say, is absurd.—I am, etc.,

York, Dec. 1st. PETER MACDONALD.

*** This correspondence is now closed.—ED. *B.M.J.*

Meetings of Branches and Divisions

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH: ROCHDALE DIVISION

A meeting of the Rochdale Division was held at Rochdale Infirmary on November 9th, when Dr. J. C. JEFFERSON was in the chair and thirteen members were present.

Dr. C. S. D. DON gave a lecture on "The Medical Treatment of Gastric and Duodenal Ulcers." After a summary of the theories regarding aetiology and the experimental evidence, Dr. Don dealt with the treatment of haematemesis. He advocated complete rest, reinforced with morphine 1/4 grain six-hourly in every case, and more frequently if the patient was restless; nothing by the mouth for twenty-four hours; careful observation of blood pressure; hourly pulse count; and early blood grouping in case transfusion was necessary. Transfusion, he said, should not be delayed if haemoglobin was down to 30 per cent. If there was no further haemorrhage after twenty-four hours iced water and morphine might be given, and after forty-eight hours one ounce of milk two-hourly, increasing by one ounce per feed for the next three days, then gradual return to fuller diet. Glucose 50 per cent. solution per rectum should be given from the first day, and the mouth should be cleansed frequently. Dr. Don reviewed the various methods of treating gastric and duodenal ulcers, and mentioned the Sippy and Lenhartz diets, vaccine, pepsin, liver, and mucin treatments. He preferred the MacLean method, and had found this very effective in private and hospital practice. Cure by medical methods in all cases might be estimated at about 40 per cent. Gastro-enterostomy had about 20 per cent. of failures; partial gastrectomy showed better results, but the operative mortality was greater. In ulcers of long duration, especially where there was stenosis, surgical treatment was indicated.

Considerable discussion followed the lecture, and on the proposal of Dr. W. H. BATEMAN, seconded by Dr. A. R. OLIVER, a cordial vote of thanks was accorded Dr. Don for a most helpful and interesting address. By the kindness of the matron and nursing staff light refreshments were provided.

LINCOLNSHIRE BRANCH: SCUNTHORPE DIVISION

A meeting of the Scunthorpe Division was held at the War Memorial Hospital on November 1st, when twenty members were present. An interesting and informative address was given by Mr. ANDREW M. CLAYE of Leeds on "Some Midwifery Problems." The paper was much appreciated by the members, and after a full discussion a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Claye for his address.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: PORTSMOUTH DIVISION

A meeting of the Portsmouth Division was held at Southsea on November 8th, when the chairman, Dr. C. J. MAYHEW, was in the chair and fifty-one members were present, of whom thirty-one sat down to the preceding supper. The HONORARY SECRETARY announced that the collection for medical charities at the annual St. Luke's Day service amounted to £10 1s. 7d., to which members who were unable to be present added £1 10s.

Dr. ROY WARD then gave an address on "Radium and Cancer." In the treatment of cancer by radium, he said, they had now reached the stage of being encouraged by their progress and optimistic of the future. Radium was the method of choice in rodent ulcer. In cancer of the lip the results with radium were equal to those with surgery, but when the condition was extensive radium was again the method of choice. Disease of the anal canal responded well to radium, and colostomy could be avoided in most cases. Radium was not always suitable in disease of the penis; in the vulva over-exposure should be avoided, for it was difficult to estimate the necessary dose. In the mouth radium was the best method, but secondary glands did not respond readily. Dr. Ward urged the removal by diathermy of all ulcers for pathological examination. Future treatment of the pharynx, he continued, was probably on the line of mass radiation (bomb therapy). There were three groups of cancers of the breast: (1) the operable, in which radical mastatectomy was the best except in thin, flat breasts; (2) the inoperable; and (3) surgical failures, which could only be dealt with by radium. Partial removal was to be condemned. Radium treatment in cancer of the cervix was now standardized. Disease of the eyelids, cornea, and conjunctiva were best treated by radium, but retrobulbar tumours were not suitable.

In the discussion which followed Messrs. MARTIN, RIDOUT, WHITE, LYTLE, and MACHARDY took part, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Dr. Ward for his address, on the proposition of Dr. W. MARTIN, seconded by Dr. E. W. DEWEY.

Naval and Military Appointments

ROYAL NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE

Surgeon Lieutenant Commander T. A. Cochrane to the *Drake*, for Devonport Dockyard.

Surgeon Lieutenants S. K. Foster to the *Caledon*; W. W. Simkins to the *President*, for three weeks' R.A.F. medical officers' course, December 3rd, and to the *Victory*, for Royal Naval Barracks, December 22nd; J. L. S. Coulter to the *President*, for three months' course; A. H. O'Malley to the *Centurion*; P. N. Walker-Taylor to the *Carlisle*.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Lieutenant (on probation) P. H. Peacock has been confirmed in his rank.

C. S. Gamble to be Lieutenant (on probation).

ROYAL AIR FORCE MEDICAL SERVICE

Group Captain J. MacGregor, M.C., is placed on the retired list.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Captains C. W. Badger and C. C. H. Chavasse, from Supplementary Reserve of Officers, to be Captains.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Supernumerary for Service with O.T.C.—H. R. Thompson, late Cadet Lance-Corporal, Rugby School Contingent, Junior Division, O.T.C., to be Lieutenant, for duty with Medical Unit, University of London Contingent, Senior Division, O.T.C.

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE

Lieut.-Col. (Brevet Colonel) G. D. Franklin, C.I.E., O.B.E., and Lieut.-Col. I. D. Jones retire from the Service.

Major W. M. Will to be Lieutenant-Colonel.

Captain H. B. Macevoy has been appointed to officiate as Executive Officer, Neemuch Cantonment, in addition to his ordinary duties, vice Jemadar Ghulam Ahmad Khan, transferred.

Association Notices

MIDDLEMORE PRIZE, 1936

The Middlemore Prize consists of a cheque for £50 and an illuminated certificate, and was founded in 1880 by the late Richard Middlemore, F.R.C.S., of Birmingham, to be awarded for the best essay or work on any subject which the Council of the British Medical Association may from time to time select in any department of ophthalmic medicine or surgery. The Council is prepared to consider an award of the prize in the year 1936 to the author of the best essay on the following subject, "The Aetiology, Prophylaxis, and Treatment of Myopia, Especially in its Higher Degrees." Essays submitted in competition must reach the Medical Secretary, British Medical Association, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, W.C.1, on or before December 31st, 1935. Each essay must be signed with a motto and accompanied by a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the motto and containing the name and address of the author. In the event of no essay being of sufficient merit the prize will not be awarded in 1936.

G. C. ANDERSON,
Medical Secretary.

November, 1934.

BRANCH AND DIVISION MEETINGS TO BE HELD

BATH, BRISTOL, AND SOMERSET BRANCH: EAST SOMERSET DIVISION.—At Weston-super-Mare Hospital, Wednesday, December 12th, 3.30 p.m. General meeting. Election of officers, etc.

BIRMINGHAM BRANCH: BIRMINGHAM CENTRAL DIVISION.—At Medical Institute, 154, Great Charles Street, Birmingham, Wednesday, December 12th. Dr. C. Hill (Assistant Medical Secretary): "The Effect of Recent Legislation on Medical Practice."

BIRMINGHAM BRANCH: WEST BROMWICH AND SMETHWICK DIVISION.—At West Bromwich and District General Hospital, Edward Street, West Bromwich, Thursday, December 13th, 8.30 p.m. Special meeting to consider proposal to adopt

resolution regarding salaries of whole-time public health medical officers under a local authority. Followed by an address by Dr. C. Hill (Assistant Medical Secretary): "The Local Authority, the Hospital, and the General Practitioner."

CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCH: CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON DIVISION.—At Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, Friday, December 14th, 3 p.m. Meeting to consider proposal to adopt resolution regarding salaries of whole-time public health medical officers under a local authority.

DERBYSHIRE BRANCH: CHESTERFIELD DIVISION.—At Maternity Home, Chesterfield, Friday, December 14th, 8.30 p.m. Dr. C. W. Buckley (President of Derbyshire Branch): "Sciatica."

EAST YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—At Hull Royal Infirmary, Wednesday, December 12th, 8.15 p.m., Branch meeting to consider proposal to adopt resolution regarding salaries of whole-time public health medical officers under a local authority; 8.30 p.m., general meeting of whole profession to consider desirability or otherwise of inaugurating a Public Medical Service in the area of the Branch. At Powolny's Restaurant, Hull, Tuesday, December 18th, 8.30 p.m. Supper-dance.

ESSEX BRANCH: SOUTH ESSEX DIVISION.—At Queen's Hotel, Westcliff-on-Sea, Tuesday, December 11th, 8.45 p.m. Meeting to consider proposal to adopt resolution regarding salaries of whole-time public health medical officers under a local authority. Address by Mr. G. Perkins: "Bone-setting."

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND BRANCH: AYRSHIRE DIVISION.—At Kilmarnock, Thursday, December 13th. Dr. Chalmers Watson (Edinburgh): "Fresh Food in Relation to Nutrition and Disease; the Value, and also the Reverse, of Present 'Vitamin' Teaching."

GLOUCESTERSHIRE BRANCH.—At Gloucester, Thursday, December 13th. Mr. A. H. Baker: "Varicose Veins and Varicose Ulcers."

HERTFORDSHIRE BRANCH: BARNET DIVISION.—At Hadley Wood Golf Club, Tuesday, December 11th, 8 p.m. Dinner, and lecture by Dr. A. H. Douthwaite: "Pyrexia of Obscure Origin."

ISLE OF MAN MEDICAL SOCIETY: ISLE OF MAN BRANCH.—At Noble's Hospital, Douglas, Sunday, December 9th, 4 p.m. Dr. R. Marshall: "Observations on Infectious Diseases, with Special Reference to Diphtheria."

KENT BRANCH: TUNBRIDGE WELLS DIVISION.—Wednesday, December 12th, 8.30 p.m. Mr. R. H. O. B. Robinson: "Management of a Case of Empyema."

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH: BURY DIVISION.—At Queen's Arms Hotel, Rawtenstall, Monday, December 10th, 8.30 p.m. Meeting to consider adoption of binding resolution *re* memorandum of recommendations on salaries of whole-time public health medical officers. Dr. S. A. Winstanley: "The Extension of Medical Service to the Dependants of the Insured."

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH: PRESTON DIVISION.—Joint meeting with Preston Medico-Ethical Society at Preston Royal Infirmary, Tuesday, December 11th, 8.30 p.m. Dr. Philip Rigg: "The Endocrines."

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: CAMBERWELL DIVISION.—At Constance Road Institution, East Dulwich, S.E., Tuesday, December 11th. Dr. W. H. Whitehouse: "Coroners' Courts."

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: CITY DIVISION.—At Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, E., Friday, December 14th, 4.30 p.m. Dr. J. W. Linnell: Medical Cases.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: HAMPSTEAD DIVISION.—At Hampstead General Hospital, Thursday, December 13th, 8.30 p.m. Dr. F. M. R. Walshe: "The Differential Diagnosis and Treatment of Epileptiform Fits."

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: SOUTH-WEST ESSEX DIVISION.—At Wesleyan Schools, High Road, Leyton, Tuesday, December 11th, 9.15 p.m. Mr. W. McK. McCullagh: "Modern Improvements in Midwifery Practice."

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: WILLESDEN DIVISION.—At May Fair Hotel, Thursday, December 13th, 8 p.m. Annual dinner-dance.

NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH: MORPETH DIVISION.—At Grand Hotel, Ashington, Friday, December 14th, 8 p.m. Meeting to consider proposal to adopt resolution regarding salaries of whole-time public health medical officers under a local authority. Dr. George Hall: "Anaemias."

SOUTHERN BRANCH: PORTSMOUTH DIVISION.—At Queen's Hotel, Southsea, Thursday, December 13th. 9 p.m. supper. 9.30 p.m., Mr. W. McAdam Eccles: "The Causes of Prolonged Disability after Industrial Accidents."

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH: CARDIFF DIVISION.—At Cardiff Royal Infirmary, Wednesday, December 12th, 3.15 p.m. B.M.A. Lecture by Mr. John Fraser: "Surgical Aspects of Some Circulatory Diseases." At Royal Hotel, Cardiff, Monday, December 31st. Annual dinner and dance.

STAFFORDSHIRE BRANCH: WALSALL AND LICHFIELD DIVISION.—At Stork Hotel, Walsall, Friday, December 14th, 8.30 p.m. Dr. C. Hill (Assistant Medical Secretary): "The Local Authority, the Hospital, and the General Practitioner."

SUFFOLK BRANCH: WEST SUFFOLK DIVISION.—At West Suffolk General Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds, Saturday, December 15th, 8.45 p.m. Dr. E. R. Cullinan: "Recent Drugs and their Uses."

SURREY BRANCH: CROYDON DIVISION.—At Croydon General Hospital, Tuesday, December 11th, 8.30 p.m. Mr. J. D. McLaggan: "Acute Mastoiditis."

SURREY BRANCH: GUILDFORD DIVISION.—At Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford, Thursday, December 13th, 4 p.m. Mr. Leslie Withams: "Recent Advances in Ovarian Therapy."

SURREY BRANCH: RICHMOND DIVISION.—At Grove Road Institution, Friday, December 14th, 3.30 p.m. Clinical meeting.

SUSSEX BRANCH: WEST SUSSEX DIVISION.—At Black Horse Hotel, Horsham, Wednesday, December 12th. 5.15 p.m., Executive Committee meeting. 6 p.m., Meeting to consider proposal to adopt resolution regarding salaries of whole-time public health medical officers under a local authority. Mr. Hugh Cairns: "General Review of Intracranial Surgery." Dinner at 7.30 p.m.

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Diary of Central Meetings

DECEMBER

18 Tues. Regulations and Standing Orders Subcommittee, 2.15 p.m.
20 Thurs. Charities Committee, 2.30 p.m.

JANUARY

2 Wed. Grants Subcommittee, 12 noon.
Organization Committee, 2 p.m.
11 Fri. Consultants and Specialists Group Committee, 2.15 p.m.
15 Tues. Standing Ethical Subcommittee, 2.15 p.m.

DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C.—*Thurs.*, 5 p.m., Bradshaw Lecture by Mr. Victor Bonney: Functional Derangement of the Intestine that follows Abdominal Operations.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE

United Services Section.—Mon., 4.30 p.m. Squadron Leader E. D. D. Dickson: The Choice of an Anaesthetic under Conditions of Active Service. Col. E. M. Cowell: New Methods of Front Line Evacuation of Wounded.

Section of Therapeutics and Pharmacology.—Tues., 5 p.m. W. E. Dixon Lecture by Sir Henry Dale: Pharmacology and Nerve Endings.

Section of Psychiatry.—Tues., 8.30 p.m. Discussion: Mental Hygiene: Preventive Measures in Childhood. Openers, Dr. Susan Isaacs, Dr. William Moodie.

Section of Ophthalmology.—Fri., 5 p.m. Clinical Meeting at Central London Ophthalmic Hospital, W.C. Cases will be shown.

Clinical Section.—Fri., 5.30 p.m. (Cases at 4.30 p.m.) Dr. W. M. Feldman: Transposition of Viscera. Dr. Gerald Slot: Osteoarthritis Treated by Epidural Injection.

BIOCHEMICAL SOCIETY.—At Johnston Laboratories, University of Liverpool, *Sat.*, 2.30 p.m. Communications.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY'S CLINIC FOR RHEUMATISM, Peto Place, N.W.—*Thurs.*, 8.30 p.m. Dr. M. B. Ray: Baths in the Treatment of Rheumatic Diseases.

INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL PSYCHOLOGY, Malet Place, W.C.—*Tues.*, 6 p.m. Dean W. R. Matthews: Psychology and the Future of Religion.

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGY, 11, Chandos Street, W.—*Thurs.*, 8.30 p.m. Dr. F. H. Bodman: Some Cases of Colitis.

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, 11, Chandos Street, W.—*Mon.*, 8.30 p.m. Discussion: The Thyrotoxic Heart. To be introduced by Dr. B. T. Parsons-Smith.

NORTH LONDON MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—At Royal Northern Hospital, Holloway Road, N., *Fri.*, 9 p.m. Dr. R. Wade: Some Aspects of Anaesthesia.

PADDINGTON MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Great Western Royal Hotel, Paddington, W., *Tues.*, 9 p.m. Dr. R. Galway Murray: The Rotary Movement and the Medical Profession.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND INSTITUTE OF HYGIENE.—At 28, Portland Place, W., *Wed.*, 3.30 p.m. Dr. Alfred Cox: Future of Preventive Medicine.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE, 26, Portland Place, W., *Thurs.*, 7.45 p.m. Demonstration, 8.15 p.m. Major H. C. Brown and Dr. J. C. Broom: Importance of Electric Charge in Certain Aspects of Immunity. Dr. L. W. Hackett (Rome): Some New Types of Eggs of *Anopheles maculipennis*.

SOUTH-WEST LONDON MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Bolingbroke Hospital, Wandsworth Common, S.W., *Wed.*, 9 p.m. Discussion on Anaesthesia: Ether is Not Dead. Openers, Dr. Z. Mennell and Dr. M. D. Nosworthy.

WEST KENT MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—At Miller General Hospital, Greenwich, S.E., *Fri.*, 8.45 p.m. Sir Humphry Rolleston: The Shifting Sands of the Architecture of Medicine.

POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES

FELLOWSHIP OF MEDICINE AND POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, 1, Wimpole Street, W.—*Medical Society of London*, 11, Chandos Street, W.: Tues., 2.30 p.m., Lecture-Demonstration on Ketosis by Dr. Clark-Kennedy; Wed., 8.30 p.m., Lecture on Diet in Gastric Disease by Dr. S. Wyard. *Brompton Hospital*, S.W.: Wed. and Fri., 5 p.m., Special M.R.C.P. Course in Chest Diseases. *Panel of Teachers:* Individual clinics in medicine and surgery are available daily. Courses, etc., arranged by the Fellowship are open only to members and associates.

CENTRAL LONDON THROAT, NOSE AND EAR HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.—*Fri.*, 4 p.m., Mr. F. W. Watkyn-Thomas, Infection of the Petrous Pyramid.

CHARING CROSS HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—*Sun.*, 10.30 a.m., Dr. Russell J. Reynolds, Radium Therapy; 11.45 a.m., Mr. A. C. MacLeod, Renal Tuberculosis.

HAMPSTEAD GENERAL AND NORTH-WEST LONDON HOSPITAL.—*Wed.*, 4 p.m., Mr. D. H. Patey, Intestinal Obstruction and its Treatment in the Light of Recent Work.

KING'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—*Thurs.*, 9 p.m., Dr. J. A. Drake, Dermatology in General Practice.

LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND TROPICAL MEDICINE, Keppel Street, W.C.—*Mon.*, *Wed.*, and *Fri.*, 5 p.m., Brown Institution Lectures by Professor F. W. Twort, F.R.S., Primitive Forms of Life.

SOUTH-WEST LONDON POST-GRADUATE ASSOCIATION, St. James's Hospital, Ouseley Road, S.W.—*Wed.*, 4 p.m., Mr. L. Phillips, Some Medical Aspects of Gynaecology.

GLASGOW POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—At Faculty Hall, 242, St. Vincent Street: *Tues.*, 3.30 p.m., Dr. J. M. Munro Kerr, Primary Causes of Maternal Mortality and Morbidity and their Prevention. At Ear, Nose, and Throat Hospital: *Wed.*, 4.15 p.m., Dr. W. C. Macartney, Ear, Nose, and Throat Cases.

LEEDS POST-GRADUATE CLINICAL DEMONSTRATIONS.—At Leeds General Infirmary: *Tues.*, 3.30 p.m., Dr. Bibby, Demonstration of Cases of V.D.

LEEDS PUBLIC DISPENSARY AND HOSPITAL POST-GRADUATE COURSE.—*Wed.*, 4 p.m., Mr. A. Gough, Breast Tumours.

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY CLINICAL SCHOOL ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.—Royal Infirmary: *Mon.* and *Thurs.*, 10.30 a.m. Maternity Hospital: *Mon.*, *Tues.*, *Wed.*, *Thurs.*, and *Fri.*, 11.30 a.m.

MANCHESTER: ANCOATS HOSPITAL.—*Thurs.*, 4.15 p.m., Mr. E. E. Hughes, Carcinoma of the Prostate.

MANCHESTER HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION AND DISEASES OF THE EAR, NOSE, THROAT, AND CHEST.—*Wed.*, 4.30 p.m., Mr. R. H. Smith, Adenoids.

MANCHESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—*Tues.*, 4.15 p.m., Mr. W. H. Hey, The Year's Advances in Surgery. *Fri.*, 4.15 p.m., Mr. A. Graham Bryce, Demonstration of Surgical Cases.

NEWCASTLE GENERAL HOSPITAL.—*Sun.*, 10.30 a.m., Mr. G. A. Mason, Scope of Chest Surgery.

APPOINTMENTS

REES, W. H., M.B., Ch.B.Ed., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Talybont District (Cardiganshire).

CARDIFF ROYAL INFIRMARY.—*Honorary Surgeon:* T. E. Hammond, F.R.C.S. *Honorary Gynaecologist:* R. G. Maliphant, M.D., B.S., F.R.C.S., M.C.O.G. *Honorary Assistant Physician:* William Phillips, M.D., B.Ch.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith, W.—*Emeritus Surgeon:* O. L. Addison, F.R.C.S. *Honorary Assistant Surgeon:* A. Simpson-Smith, M.S., F.R.C.S.

VACANCIES

AYLESBURY: BUCKS MENTAL HOSPITAL.—Medical Superintendent.

BATH: ROYAL MINERAL WATER HOSPITAL.—Hon. P.

BOURNEMOUTH COUNTY BOROUGH.—Assistant M.O.H. and Assistant School M.O. (male, unmarried).

BRISTOL GENERAL HOSPITAL.—(1) Two H.P. (2) Two H.S. (3) Resident Obstetric Officer. (4) H.S. to Special Departments. (5) C.H.S.

CONNAUGHT HOSPITAL, Walthamstow, E.—H.S. (male).

DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.—A.M.O. in charge of Ante-natal Clinics.

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL.—(1) J.R.M.O. (male) at Seaham Hall Sanatorium for Women and Girls, Seaham Harbour. (2) Deputy County M.O.H. (male).

DURHAM COUNTY MENTAL HOSPITAL.—A.M.O.

EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL.—A.M.O. (male, unmarried) at Southlands Hospital, Shoreham-by-Sea.

EDINBURGH: ROYAL EDINBURGH HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN.—S.

HASLEMERE AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL.—R.M.O.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Great Ormond Street, W.C.—R.M.O. (unmarried) at Country Branch Hospital, Tadworth.

HULL ROYAL INFIRMARY.—C.O. (male).

ILFORD: KING GEORGE HOSPITAL.—(1) R.M.O. (2) R.S.O. (3) C.O. (4) H.P. (5) H.S.

LINCOLN: THE LAWN.—A.M.O.

LIVERPOOL STANLEY HOSPITAL.—Hon. P.

LONDON UNIVERSITY.—Chair of Physiology tenable at St. Mary's Hospital Medical School.

MANCHESTER CITY.—A.M.O., Grade 3 (male, unmarried), at Crumpsall Hospital and Institution.

MANCHESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Senior H.S. (male) at Central Branch, Roby Street.

MANCHESTER: ST. MARY'S HOSPITALS.—Two H.S. at (*a*) Whitworth Street West Hospital (Maternity), and at (*b*) Whitworth Park Hospital (Gynaecological).

NATIONAL TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL, Hampstead Road, N.W.—(1) H.P. (2) C.O. Males. (3) Hon. Dental Anaesthetist.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE EDUCATION COMMITTEE.—Full-time Assistant School M.O. (Specialist).

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: ROYAL VICTORIA INFIRMARY.—(1) Four H.P. (2) Six H.S. (3) H.S. to Throat, Nose, Ear, and Eye Departments. (4) H.S. to Gynaecological Department. (5) Two H.S. to Orthopaedic Department. (6) H.S. to Accident Room. (7) Two H.S. to Skin and Venereal Department and Out-patient Department. (8) Two Anaesthetists. (9) Two H.S. at Leazes Hospital. (10) Senior Accident Room H.S.

NORTHAMPTON GENERAL HOSPITAL.—Hon. Assistant S.

OTAGO HOSPITAL BOARD.—Senior R.S.O.

PORTSMOUTH CITY.—J.A.R.M.O. (unmarried) at St. Mary's Hospital.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH OF YORK HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Shadwell, E.—H.S.

READING: ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL.—(1) Two H.S. (2) C.O. Males.

ROYAL MASONIC HOSPITAL, Ravenscourt Park.—R.S.O. (male).

RYDE: ROYAL ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY HOSPITAL.—R.H.S. (unmarried).

ST. MARK'S HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE RECTUM, City Road, E.C.—Clinical Assistants in Out-patient Department.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN, Plaistow, E.—Hon. Ophthalmic S.

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SOUTHPORT GENERAL INFIRMARY.—H.P. (unmarried).

STOURBRIDGE: CORBETT HOSPITAL.—J.H.S. (female).

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith, W.—(1) H.P. (2) Two H.S. (3) Resident Anaesthetist. Males. (4) Resident Assistant S.

WILLESDEN GENERAL HOSPITAL.—(1) C.O. (unmarried). (2) Hon. Clinical Assistants in Out-patient Department.

WILTS COUNTY COUNCIL.—Whole-time County Tuberculosis Officer.

WORCESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Part-time Officer-in-charge V.D. Department.

CERTIFYING FACTORY SURGEONS.—The following vacant appointments are announced: Longtown (Cumberland), Kirkby Stephen (Westmorland). Applications to the Chief Inspector of Factories, Home Office, Whitehall, S.W.1, by December 18th.

MEDICAL REFEREES UNDER THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1925, for (1) West London (Brompton) County Court District (Circuit No. 37); (2) Bridgwater, Bristol, Wells, and Weston-super-Mare County Court Districts (Circuit No. 54). Applications to the Private Secretary, Home Office, Whitehall, S.W.1, by December 28th.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 9s., which sum should be forwarded with the notice not later than the first post on Tuesday morning, in order to ensure insertion in the current issue.

MARRIAGE

O'DONNELL—HEALY.—On October 24th, at St. Michael's Church, Dun Laoghaire, Michael J. O'Donnell, M.B., M.R.C.P.I., to Dorothy Healy, M.B.

DEATH

GROUT.—On December 4th, 1934, John Grout, aged 76, at 20, Lawson Road, Sheffield, late of Wolverhampton.

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